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COMMUNITY INVITED TO ATTEND A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE VA VOICES TOASTMASTERS CLUB

Meeting to be held on February 24

The community is invited to attend a special meeting of the **VA Voices Toastmasters Club**. On February 24th representatives from Toastmasters International, Jared Kronenberg, Central Division Governor and Kathy Bement, District 65 Area Governor will be featured guest speakers. The meeting will be held at the Canandaigua VA Medical Center in the Directors Conference Room located on the first floor of Building #1 starting promptly at 4:15p.m.

VA Voices, a local chapter of Toastmasters International, recently opened up its membership to any adult who wishes to improve their leadership and public speaking skills. You don't have to be a Veteran to join. Membership is affordable; total annual fees are less than \$100.

From one club started in 1924, Toastmasters International has grown to become the world's leading organization teaching leadership and public speaking skills. The nonprofit organization now has approximately 235,000 members all over the world.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Toastmasters is a "learn-by-doing" organization where members improve their skills in a comfortable, friendly environment. Those joining Toastmasters learn presentation skills by working in a communication program manual, a series of 10 speaking assignments, designed to instill a basic foundation in public speaking.

If you are interested in learning more about **VA Voices**, come to a meeting as a guest and/or contact Carol Courtney, VA Voices Vice President of Public Relations, at (585) 393-7798 or e-mail Carol.Courtney@va.gov. The Canandaigua VA Medical Center is located at 400 Fort Hill Avenue, Canandaigua, NY

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